8 [1]*[2]When the Lamb broke open the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour.

[2]*Then, as I watched, the seven angels who minister in God's presence were given seven trumpets.

[3]Another angel came in holding a censer of gold. He took his place at the altar of incense and was given large amounts of incense to deposit on the altar of gold in front of the throne, together with the prayers of all God's holy ones. [4]*From the angel's hand the smoke of the incense went up before God, and with it the prayers of God's people.
[5]*Then the angel took the censer, filled it with live coals from the altar, and hurled it down to the earth.

[6]* Then the seven angels with the seven trumpets made ready to play.

Peals of thunder and flashes of lightning followed, and the earth trembled.

First Four Trumpets

[7]When the first angel blew his trumpet, there came hail and then fire mixed with blood, which was hurled down to the earth. A third of the land was scorched, along with a third of the trees and every green plant.

[8]When the second angel blew his trumpet, something like a huge mountain all in flames was cast into the sea. A third of the sea turned to blood, [9]*a third of the creatures living in the sea died, and a third of the ships were wrecked.

[10]*When the third angel blew his trumpet, a huge star burning like a torch crashed down from the sky. It fell on a third of the rivers and the springs. [11]The star's name was "Wormwood" because a third part of all the water turned to wormwood. Many people died from this polluted water.

[12]When the fourth angel blew his trumpet, a third of the sun, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars were hit hard enough to be plunged into darkness. The day lost a third of its light, as did the night.

"FALLEN, FALLEN IS BABYLON THE GREAT!"

"SHE HAS BECOME A DWELLING PLACE FOR DEMONS. SHE IS A CAGE FOR EVERY CONTAMINATED SPIRIT, A CAGE FOR EVERY FILTHY AND HATEFUL BIRD."

"DEPART FROM HER, MY PEOPLE! DEPART FROM HER, FOR FEAR OF SHARING IN THE PLAGUES INFLICTED ON HER!"

"ALAS, ALAS, GREAT LAND THAT YOU ARE, BABYLON THE MIGHTY..."

"IN A SINGLE HOUR YOUR DESTRUCTION HAS COME!"

"BABYLON THE GREAT SHALL BE CAST DOWN LIKE THIS, WITH VIOLENCE, AND NEVER MORE BE FOUND!"

"NO TUNES OF HARPISTS AND MINSTRELS, OF FLUTISTS AND TRUMPETERS, SHALL EVER AGAIN BE HEARD IN YOU!"

"NO CRAFTSMEN IN ANY TRADE SHALL EVER AGAIN BE FOUND IN YOU!"

"NO LIGHT FROM A BURNING LAMP SHALL EVER AGAIN SHINE OUT OF YOU!"

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SEVEN!

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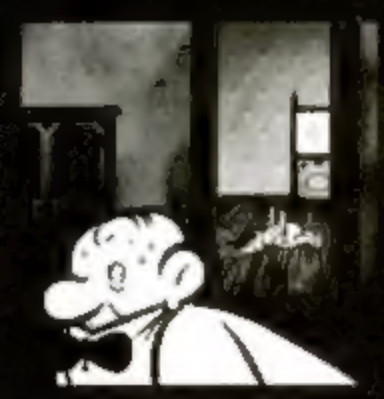
FIVE!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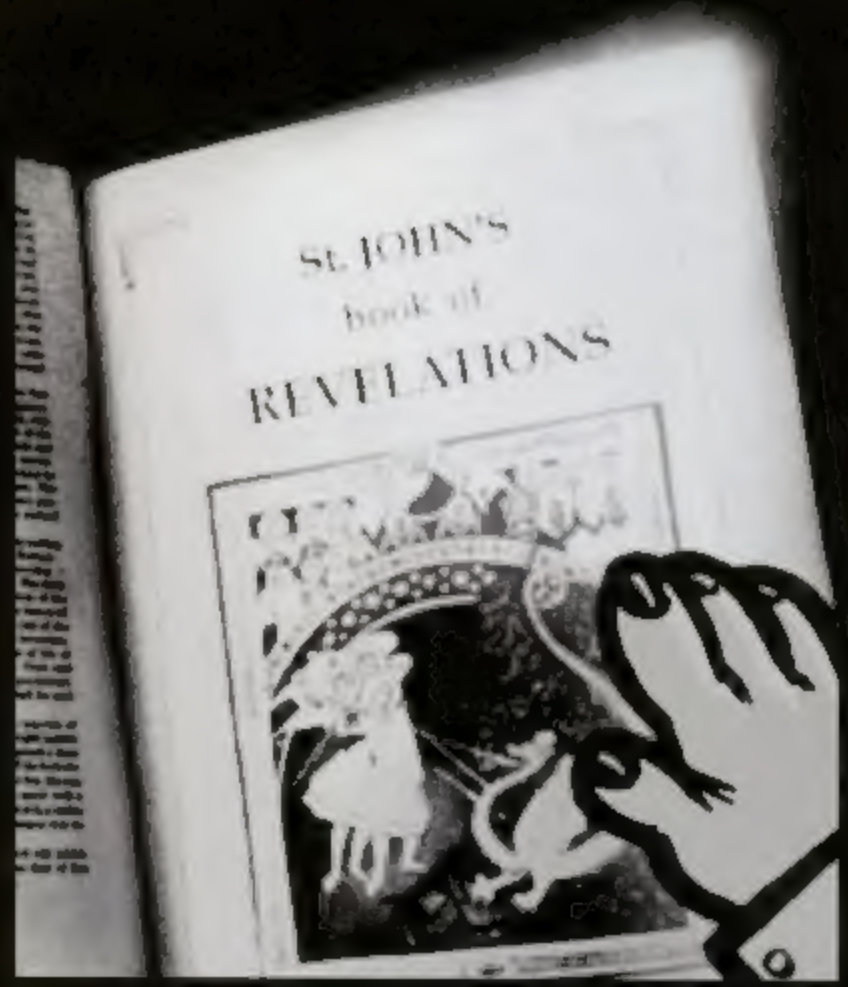
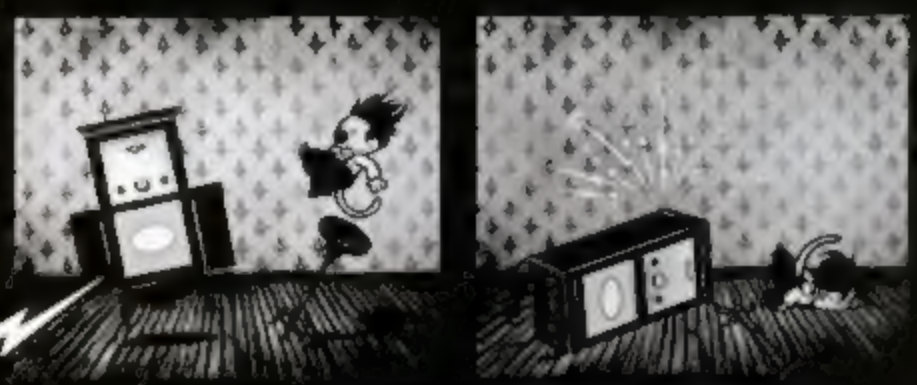
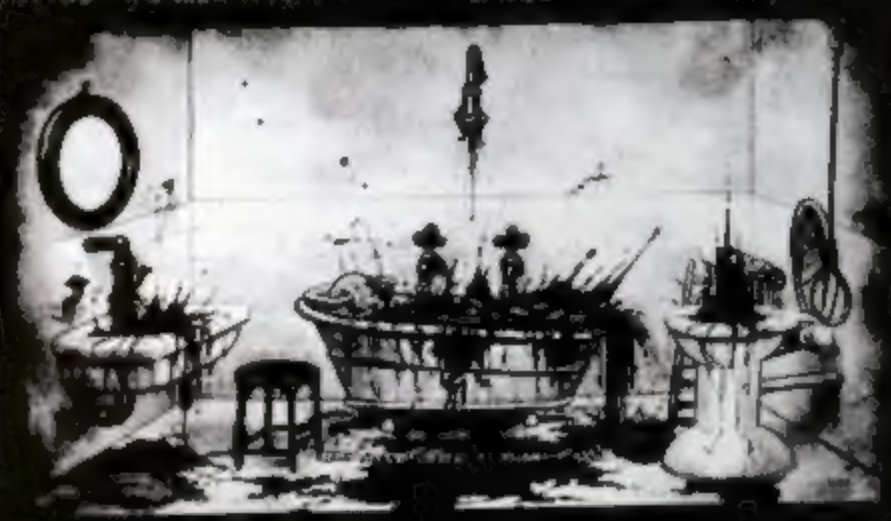


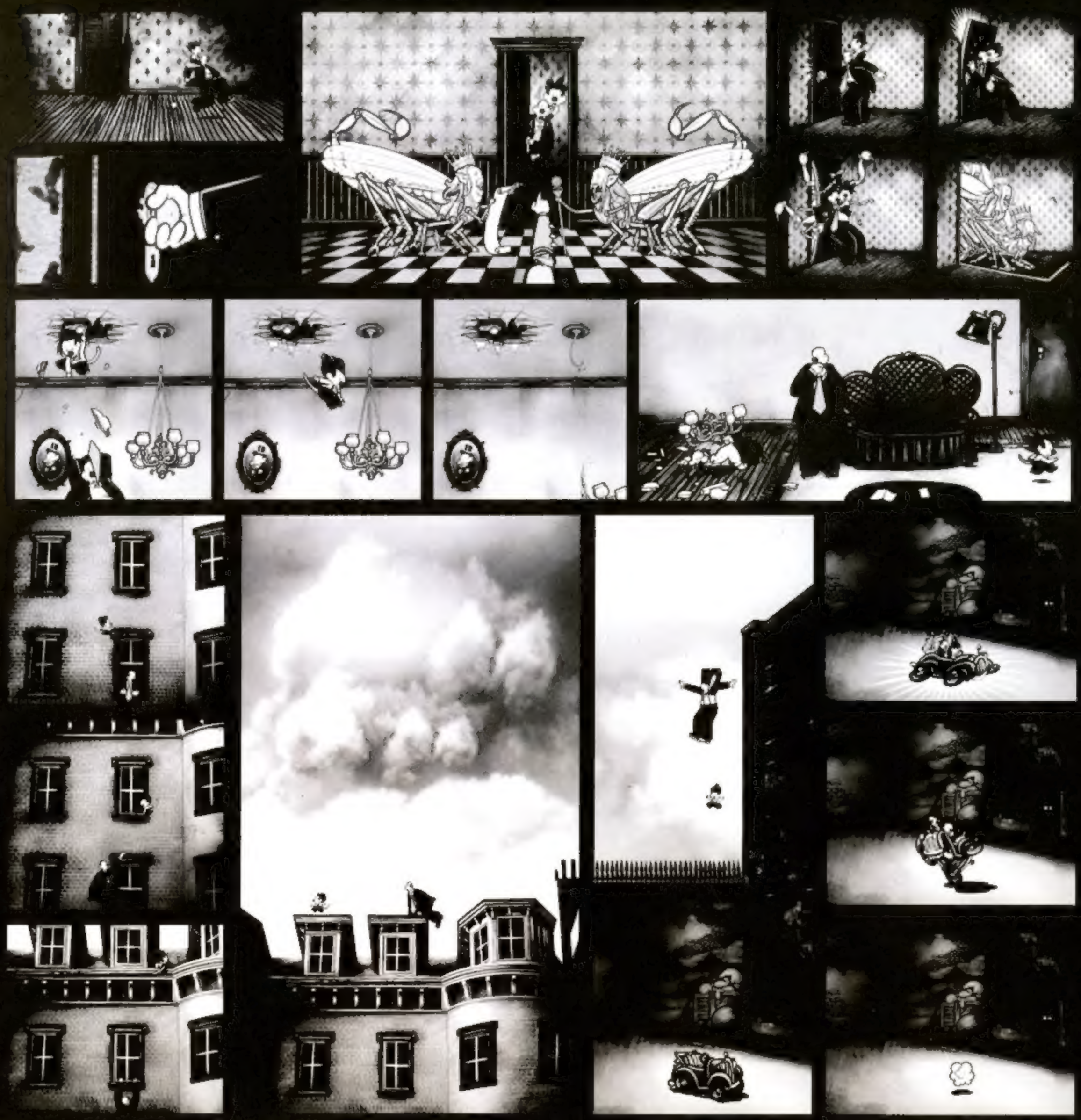
The Fifth Trumpet

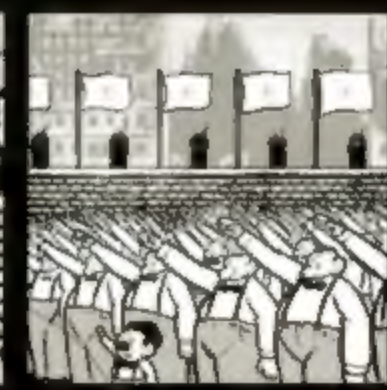
9 [1]THEN the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star fall from the sky to the earth. The star was given the key to the shaft of the abyss; [2]he opened it and smoke poured out of the shaft like smoke from an enormous furnace. The sun and the air were darkened by the smoke from the shaft. [3]Out of the smoke, onto the land, came locusts as powerful as scorpions in their sting. [4]The locusts were commanded to do no harm to the grass in the land or to any plant or tree but only to those men who had not the seal of God on their foreheads. [5]The locusts were not allowed to kill them but only to torture them for five months; the pain they inflicted was like that of a scorpion's sting. [6]During that time these men will seek death but will not find it; they will yearn to die but death will escape them.

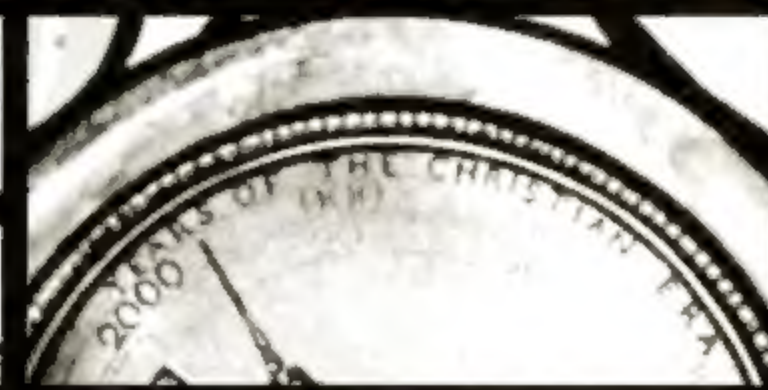
[7]In appearance the locusts were like horses equipped for battle. On their heads they wore something like gold crowns; their faces were like men's faces [8]but they had hair like women's hair. Their teeth were the teeth of lions, [9]their chests like iron breastplates. Their wings made a sound like the roar of many chariots and horses charging into battle. [10]They had tails with stingers like scorpions; in their tails was enough venom to harm men for five months. [11]Acting as their king was the angel in charge of the abyss, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon and in Greek Apollyon.







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